

The Dillon Herald

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"The Volstead act has no effect on music, there still being bars therein.

Awful news for Dillon youngsters: The price of baseball bats has gone up on account of an alleged scarcity. Manufacturers say there is no possibility of filling all orders.

Fake agents, reports Clemson College, are selling farmers "coffee beans" at \$36 a bushel and offering to buy the product back in the fall at \$65 a bushel. What the farmer ought to do is to "bean" the agent, but an easier way to get rid of him is to offer a due bill for \$36 payable when the crop is harvested.

Last year Dillon county made 35,000 bales of cotton valued at \$2,000,000 and sent that amount away for feedstuffs. If Dillon county makes 20,000 bales this year, raises its own feedstuffs and keeps that \$2,000,000 at home it will be in good shape financially.

GOING BACK TO FARMS.

The thousands of farm employees who several years ago flocked to the cities in order to participate in high war wages now find themselves largely out of work. The belief is prevalent that most of them will be compelled to return to the farms for employment this year. The difference in wages will be great, but according to local observers, farm wages are better than no wages at all.

The migration of farm workers to the city and then their return to the farm does not do much good to the workers. The migratory spirit inculcated has a decided unstabilizing influence. In the long run the man who stays on the farm is just as well off as the man who travels from pillar to post. For one thing, he acquires a good reputation among farmers and naturally receives the best treatment and is given the most responsibility.

BONDS THAT DON'T SELL.

It is computed that four billions of dollars in bonds await absorption by investors—and most of them are public improvement bonds. These are so numerous that they are a drug on the market. Many improvements materialize because the bonds are not sold. And the worst of this disquieting situation is that even when sold the bonds do not bring par, but have to be disposed of at a discount. The result is that bond buyers earn anywhere from eight to ten per cent interest on them, and yet they sell like hot chocolate on a cold day. If conditions do not improve in the "bond market,"—and it is unlikely to do so for several years—an enormous amount of public improvement work will be held up.

BANKS AND COTTON.

The reported widespread combination of bankers to refrain from loaning money to cotton planters except when the latter agree to curtail cotton acreage is another instance of the power of the banks to bring about what is deemed an economic essential. It will be remembered that "back to normalcy" and "readjustment" was precipitated largely when a great many banks began to curtail loans.

Some persons take exception to this system of banking censorship in industry, but why should not a banking institution exercise exceeding care in how it uses the money which does not belong to itself, but belongs to depositors? If economic conditions are such as not to warrant indiscriminate loans then it would appear wise to refrain. The main point, however, is that such power must not be exercised unless there is no reasonable doubt about its propriety and necessity.

Banks make their profits from loaning money. If they did not do so they would evaporate. It is illogical to assume that they would curtail loans—on which they earn money—without mighty good reasons.

CANCEL THE WAR DEBTS.

In his speech at Spartanburg last week Gov. Cooper is quoted as saying that the best thing the United States can do is to cancel its war debts against the allied nations of Europe. Gov. Cooper takes a bold stand in advocating so sweeping a measure, but the position he takes can be sustained by the soundest of logic and reason.

If the allied nations are not able to pay the most sensible thing to do is to cancel the debts they owe us. A people heavily in debt are pretty apt to lose all interest in the

future; they see nothing before them but years of toil; they have neither the spirit or the ambition to help themselves, and where such conditions exist industrial rehabilitation is a slow and painful process.

Ten billion dollars is a big sum to pay. Our own United States, the richest nation in the world, would find it difficult to pay a debt of ten millions. If we owed that amount to Europe there would be little or no inclination on our part to go to work and struggle along under so heavy a burden for the next generation or two.

The farmer takes a chance with the share-cropper. If the cropper falls so far behind there is little chance of catching up the farmer either gives him a clean sheet or lets him go to another plantation. Experience teaches that it is unprofitable to attempt to work a man who in hopelessly in debt to you. You are only adding to your losses.

Cancellation of Europe's war debts means quick industrial rehabilitation, and until the industrial plants of Europe resume operations there will be no demand for the raw materials we produce on this side of the Atlantic. We can lose what Europe owes us and never feel it. Would it not therefore be the part of wisdom to cancel her obligations to us and put her on her feet again as quickly as possible?

PROTEST AGAINST

PHONE RATES.

Representatives of various counties appeared before the South Carolina Railroad Commission Tuesday and entered a formal protest against the recent increase in phone rates and discontinuance of free service in counties. Dillon county was represented by Senator Jas. H. Manning, E. L. Moore, Jno. C. Bethea and A. B. Jordan. Following the meeting before Railroad Commission the citizens went into executive session and organized a state wide committee to carry on the fight. Senator Manning was elected chairman of the meeting.

Sixteen other towns in the state have contracts similar to Dillon's. The other towns, like Dillon, stood on their contracts and asked for their enforcement. The Railroad Commission produced a copy of a decision handed down by the United States Supreme Court in which the court held that absolute authority was vested in the Commission to modify or annul contracts between public service corporations and individuals where the terms of the contract were such that public interests suffered. The matter, is therefore, clearly in the hands of the Railroad Commission and it appears that Dillon and other towns holding contracts with the telephone company have no redress in the courts.

Following this announcement by the Commission the citizen's committee went into executive session, and after some deliberation decided to appoint a steering committee to take the matter up with every business organization throughout the state, select an executive committee and ask the Railroad Commission for a rehearing. Jno. C. Bethea of Dillon is a member of this committee.

SWEET POTATO MEETING.

Remember that Mr. A. M. Musser from Clemson College will make an address in the court house on Friday, April fifteenth. If you are interested in boosting sweet potatoes come out and bring your friends. The ladies are especially invited as they know what a splendid food we deprive ourselves of because of our inability to keep sweet potatoes through many winters. The public storage house will pay, if we never get to ship a single crate of potatoes, provided we only supply our own tables. Ask every one who has eaten some well cured yams if he does not think them superior to fresh potatoes dug in October.

The government has spent a large sum of money to encourage building curing houses for sweet potatoes. They have made extensive experiments to prove the best methods of bedding, planting, fertilizing, digging and storing the crop. It can become a large part of the diet of our section as well as our northern neighbors if we can carry out the suggestions they make us. It is a crop that requires as much study and skill to develop as the tobacco crop. It has taken us years to learn what we know of tobacco, and when we compare our section with some points in Virginia and North Carolina we feel we only know the A. B. C's of tobacco growing. Come to the court house on April the fourteenth to hear Mr. Musser.

The town of Dillon has alone bought this year several car loads of cured sweet potatoes from Georgia at \$2 per bushel to the consumer. This money should have been kept at home. Hear Mr. Musser at the court house tomorrow.

CREDITOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of J. H. Berry, deceased, notice is hereby given that all persons holding claims against the estate are hereby notified to present same duly authenticated within the time provided by law or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned administratrix.

Mrs. Eppie D. Berry,
Administratrix.

WHITE HUSSARS AT CHAUTAUQUA

Three Musical Companies and Bargelt, Popular Cartoonist—Five Big Days Filled With Notable Features.

Dunbar's White Hussars, band and male chorus; the great comedy success, "Nothing But the Truth;" Evelyn Bargelt, popular cartoonist; exceptional lectures, and three premier musical companies—these are notable attractions which are to appear here on the 1921 Redpath Chautauqua. Five big days are crowded with entertainment features and up-to-the-minute lectures.

The Artists Four Company, which appears on the first afternoon gives a program of pleasing variety. Four talented, vivacious young ladies present varied vocal and instrumental selections with delightful verve and excellent musicianship. They will give a full program in the afternoon and a prelude at night.

George L. McNutt, known everywhere as "The Dinner Pail Man," delivers a stirring lecture on the opening night. This thought-provoking speaker bases his lecture on a thorough knowledge of economic problems including the all important question of food costs. A McNutt lecture always makes a profound impression.

The Irene Stolofsky Company appearing on the second afternoon has captivated audiences in all parts of the United States. Popular ensemble numbers as well as a sympathetic interpretation of the best in music render their program a distinct musical event. Metropolitan newspapers and musical journals throughout the country accord most enthusiastic praise to Miss Irene Stolofsky, violinist and feature artist of the company. This company also gives a prelude at night.

Harry L. Fogleman, known as "Gatling Gun" Fogleman, because of his rapid-fire verbal delivery—which he frequently speeds up to three (300) hundred words a minute—is a dynamic, magnetic lecturer on the fundamentals of success in business and life. For four seasons now on Redpath Chautauqua circuits he has been enthusiastically hailed as "a master orator," "a whirlwind speaker," "a veritable dynamo,"—and as everything else that is live, inspiring and compelling. On the second night Mr. Fogleman will lecture on "Success or Failure."

A musical event extraordinary will be the appearance, on the third day, of Dunbar's White Hussars, band and male chorus, directed in person by Al Sweet, well-known composer and band leader. This great singing band appearing in striking white and gold uniforms, presents novelty numbers, ensemble singing, and clean, clever fun which testify to the surprising versatility and genuine artistry of the organization. The name of Ralph Dunbar noted Chicago producer and organizer of the company, sets a seal of superiority on the musicianship and entertaining ability of this splendid aggregation.

Following a prelude by the Hussars on the third afternoon Beulah Buck, dramatic reader will present a thoroughly delightful program of well-chosen selections, splendidly rendered.

Dr. E. T. Hagerman, one of the leading inspirational orators on the American lecture platform, appears here on the fourth afternoon of the Chautauqua. His address presents an every day, stalwart philosophy seasoned with sparkling wit. Doctor Hagerman's more than twenty years of consecutive service with the Redpath Bureau have been notable for the large number of return dates which he has been called upon to fill. "Nothing But the Truth," widely known comedy success, will be presented by a New York cast on the fourth night. As a novel by Frederick Isham, "Nothing But the Truth" was read by millions, and later as a play it ran more than a season, on Broadway. It is the ingenious, entertaining story of a young society idler who wagers that he can tell the absolute truth for one whole day. From first to last this rollicking comedy inspires a constant gale of merriment.

On the fifth day "Daddy" Grobecker, as he is affectionately called by his people, brings his company of Swiss Yodlers for a full afternoon program and an evening prelude. This company is composed of genuine Swiss Yodlers presenting to the American public a program of true Swiss mountain folk-lore, full of novel, educational and entertaining features.

The last night, widely known as "Joy Night," will be long remembered. Evelyn Bargelt presents a program of cartooning, interpretative reading, and entertainment par excellence. For many years Miss Bargelt has been well known in the Lyceum and Chautauqua world. Her exceptional talents and delightful personality unite to make her an unusually strong program attraction.

In accordance with the long standing policy of the Redpath management a special story hour will be conducted each morning or afternoon for the children. Thoroughly trained young women will have charge of this work, for which no admission is charged. The stories are sure to prove a delight and a treat to the youngsters.

NOTICE.

The I. O. O. F. No. 157 of Dillon meets each Monday night at 8 p. m. All members are requested to be present. Something new each meeting.

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If you want Hail Insurance on your Tobacco, see Bethea-Watson Ins. Co., Latta. They have very attractive propositions for you.

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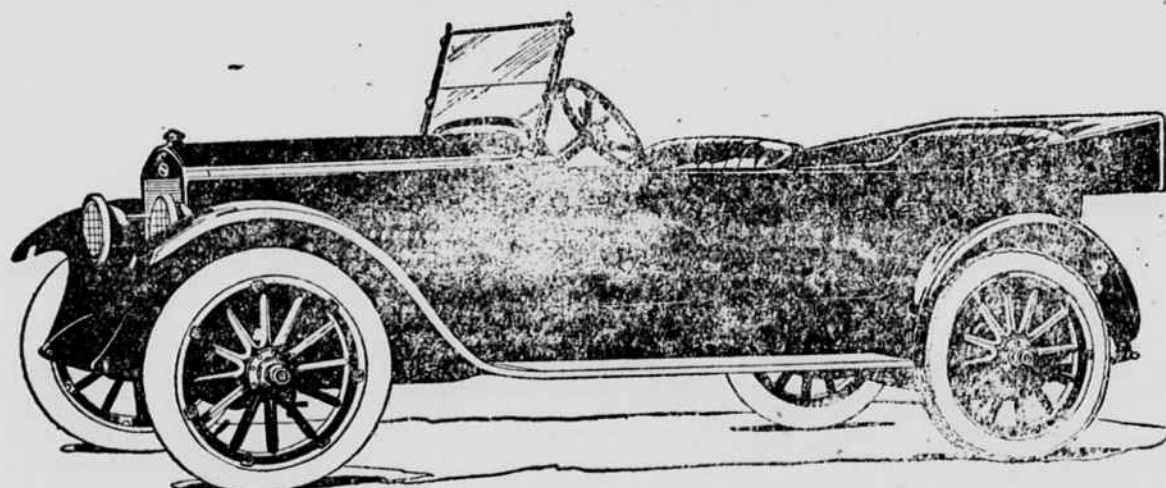
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